

## PUBLIC NOTICE 2021 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC HEARING WILLIAMSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION PCR#21-005

The Williamsburg Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the 2021 Comprehensive Plan on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Stryker Building, 412 North Boundary Street. The Comprehensive Plan is the long-range plan for the City's physical development, and the list below summarizes the major changes and proposals of the draft 2021 Comprehensive Plan.

<u>FUTURE LAND USE RECOMMENDED CHANGES.</u> Mill Neck Road – Low-Density Single-Family Detached Residential designation for 530 Mill Neck Road. **Pocahontas Trail** – Conservation Areas designation for 7219 Pocahontas Trail.

<u>HOUSING RECOMMENDATIONS.</u> Preserve and protect the City's single-family neighborhoods; enable a greater residential presence in the Downtown Planning Area; build new mixed-use neighborhoods; develop more affordable housing; provide more senior housing.

<u>COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.</u> Maintain the Merchants Square area as a high-quality mixed-use commercial area serving residents, college students, and visitors; encourage businesses to locate adjacent to the College of William and Mary; promote the Midtown Planning Area as a major redevelopment area; maintain the City's Corridor Commercial areas as the primary location for tourist-oriented businesses; support the development of High Street and Quarterpath at Williamsburg as the City's primary mixed-use developments; provide opportunities for a mixed-use development on Penniman Road.

TRANSPORTATION RECOMMENDATIONS. Streets – widen Ironbound Road to three lanes between Richmond Road and DePue Drive, Capitol Landing Road redesign and construction, Lafayette Street improvements, Redoubt Road from Battery Boulevard to Quarterpath Road. Intersection improvements – Capitol Landing Road and Bypass Road intersection, Monticello Avenue, Richmond Road, Lafayette Street intersection, Route 132 and Route 132Y improvements. Future traffic signals (when warranted) - Quarterpath Road/York Street, Second Street/Parkway Drive, Richmond Road/Waltz Farm Drive. Bikeway improvements – pursue a multiuse circuit around College Woods, complete the Capitol to Capitol Trail and pursue the best route for the Birthplace of America Trail (BoAT) through the city. Sidewalk improvements – Delly Area Downtown, Arts District area, York Street, Bypass Road/Parkway Drive, Merrimac Trail, South Henry Street (College Landing Park to The Oaks), Governor Berkeley Road, Griffin Avenue, and Newport Avenue, Lafayette Street from North Botetourt Street to the Francis/Page/York Street intersection.

<u>PUBLIC FACILITY RECOMMENDATIONS.</u> New Passive Parks – Capitol Landing Park and the College Creek Parks (Papermill Creek/College Creek Nature Area/College Creek Conservation Area). **Municipal Center** – new Police Station and Library addition or new building. **Transportation Center** – future improvements for expanded rail service.

<u>IMPLEMENTATION.</u> A detailed list of the measures needed to implement the recommendations of the 2021 Comprehensive Plan is in Chapter 15 – Implementation.

The complete draft of the 2021 Comprehensive Plan Update is available on the City's website at <a href="https://www.williamsburgva.gov/compplan21">www.williamsburgva.gov/compplan21</a> or at the Williamsburg Planning Department at 401 Lafayette Street. Interested citizens are invited to attend this hearing and present their comments to the Planning Commission.

If you are disabled and need accommodation to participate in the public hearing, please call the Planning Department at (757) 220-6130, (TTY) 220-6108, no later than noon, Wednesday, June 9, 2021.

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